

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

ORDER NO. 2565

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served June 13, 1984

Application of ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT )  
COMPANY for a Certificate of Public )  
Convenience and Necessity to )  
Perform Charter Operations )

Case No. AP-84-27

By application filed May 29, 1984, Alexandria Transit Company (hereafter "ATC" or "applicant") seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to conduct charter operations between points within Alexandria, Va., on the one hand, and, on the other, points within the District of Columbia.

By its application, ATC avers that it is a non-profit corporation wholly owned by the City of Alexandria which financed the purchase and retains ownership of all vehicles and equipment. Applicant's pro-forma operating statement for the period July 1, 1984, through June 30, 1985, projects a net loss in the amount of \$763,207. However, ATC's statement of financial condition indicates that the City of Alexandria pays virtually all of applicant's expenses. It may be presumed based on these documents that the City of Alexandria will guarantee applicant's debts and make up the net loss. If a certificate is to issue, this matter must be resolved at hearing.

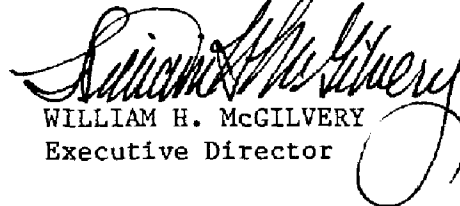
Applicant's service will be conducted using coaches with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 31 passengers including the driver. ATC intends to conduct charter operations on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.; on Saturdays from 6:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.; and on Sundays from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. The rate to be charged for the proposed service is \$35 for the first hour and \$17.50 for each additional half-hour.

To arrive at a determination as to whether a certificate of public convenience and necessity should issue, the Compact requires an applicant to prove: (1) that the public convenience and necessity require the proposed service, and (2) that applicant is operationally fit to offer the service and will abide by all pertinent regulatory requirements. For this purpose, a public hearing will be scheduled at which applicant will bear the burden of establishing the above-enumerated points. Any formal protestants may appear at this hearing to cross-examine applicant's witnesses and to present a direct case. Applicant will be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover hearing costs.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That a public hearing in Case No. AP-84-27 is hereby scheduled to commence on Tuesday, July 17, 1984, at 9:30 a.m. in the Hearing Room of the Commission, 1625 I Street, N.W., Room 314, Washington, D.C. 20006.
2. That the Alexandria Transit Company shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, and shall post continuously and conspicuously in each of its vehicles through the date of public hearing, notice of the application docketed as Case No. AP-84-27 and the hearing thereon, in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Monday, June 18, 1984, and shall present at the hearing an affidavit of publication from the selected newspaper.
3. That any person desiring to protest the application docketed in Case No. AP-84-27 shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule No. 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall so notify the Commission, in writing, no later than Thursday, July 5, 1984, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or notice on counsel for Alexandria Transit Company, Stuart J. TenHoor, Assistant General Counsel, 320 King Street, Suite 200, Alexandria, Va. 22314.
4. That Alexandria Transit Company is hereby assessed \$250 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact, and is directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, 1625 I Street, N.W., Suite 316, Washington, D.C. 20006, no later than 12 noon on Thursday, July 5, 1984.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

  
WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY  
Executive Director